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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of )  
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Application No.: Unassigned ) Examiner: Unassigned  
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Filed: May 9, 2000 )  
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For: METHOD FOR CONTROLLING )  
THE TRAFFIC IN AN ATM )  
NETWORK SO AS TO MAINTAIN )  
THE QUALITY OF SERVICE )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 3, 4, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16, and 17 as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 1, delete "any of the claims 1-3" and insert therefor --claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 1, delete "any of the preceding claims" and insert therefor  
--claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 1, delete "any of the preceding claims" and insert therefor  
--claim 1--.

Claim 11, line 1, delete "or 10".

Claim 12, line 1, delete "any of the claims 9-11" and insert therefor --claim 9--.